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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

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Group:

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 February 11, 2002

sir:

In response to the election requirement dated January 9, 2002, applicants hereby elect Species I, directed to the embodiment shown in Fig. 1, without traverse. Applicants note the Examiner's indication that claim 1 is generic, and further note that claims 1-20 read on the elected species. In light of applicants' earlier election of the Group I, claims 1-11 and 15-21, without traverse, by the response filed on October 28, 2001, examination is respectfully requested on claims 1-11 and 15-20 which fall both within the elected species of Fig. 1 and the Group I previously elected.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points

which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of reither by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned attorney cat the number indicated below.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 843.39542X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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